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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Thomas M. "T.O." Opitz of Grayslake, who passed away on October 2, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, Thomas Opitz was born on January 8, 1943 in Waukegan and was always proud that he and Elvis were born on the same day; and

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WHEREAS, Tom retired from NSSD, Waukegan Plant, in February of 2010 and had plans of playing out the rest of his life on the golf course; Tom was a free spirited man who never hesitated to say "good morning" with a smile to friends, neighbors, and even strangers who passed his way; and

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WHEREAS, He was an avid fan of the Cubs, the Bears, and the Bulls, and a bowler who started out with the infamous Roy's Boys of Bertrand Lanes; and

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WHEREAS, Thomas Opitz was preceded in death by by his parents, Michael and Virginia (Zick) Opitz; his uncles, John, Albert, Joseph, and George Opitz; his aunts, Catherine and Elizabeth; and his "Bro", Bobby Pratt; and

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WHEREAS, Thomas Opitz is survived by his loving wife,

1 Barbara (Pratt); his son, Steven (Kathleen); his  
2 granddaughters, Toni and Cydney; his favorite mother-in-law,  
3 Janet Pratt; his Opitz cousins, Debbie, Sandy, Carol, Kenny,  
4 Joyce, and Lloyd and their families; his Aunt Lorraine; his  
5 in-laws, Gail, Bill, David, and Stacey and their families; and  
6 many other cousins and friends; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL  
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
9 his family and friends, the passing of Thomas Opitz; and be it  
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11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
12 presented to the family of Thomas Opitz as a symbol of our  
13 sincere sympathy.